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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT

1. SUMMARY: LEADING CHUNG KUO SHIH PAO CARRIED WASHINGTON  
DATELINED REASSURANCE DECEMBER 10 THAT U.S. WILL STAND BY  
ROC TREATY COMMITMENTS EVEN IF NEAR-FUTURE "BREAKTHROUGH"  
REACHED ON U.S.-PRC DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. LEADING CHUNG KUO SHIH PAO DECEMBER 10 CARRIED  
WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT JACK CHOW'S ANALYSIS REPEATING  
CONTENTION THAT U.S. WILL NOT CONCEDE TO PEKING ON ROC  
QUESTION. CHOW SAID NIXON HAS ACTUALLY MAINTAINED "TWO-  
CHINA" OR "ONE CHINA, TWO GOVERNMENTS" POLPVY SINCE BECOMING  
PRESIDENT; PEKING'S PRO-AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY IS TACIT  
ACCEPTANCE NIXON'S POSITION. PEKING'S AGREEMENT ON WASHINGTON  
LIAISON OFFICE INDICATES MAO ACCEPTED DE FACTO EXISTENCE  
"TWO CHINAS" DESPITE PRC'S INSISTENCE IN COMMUNIQUE THAT  
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NORMALIZATION DEPENDENT ON CONFIRMING "ONE-CHINA" PRINCIPLE.

CHOW QUOTED SOURCES AS SAYING KISSINGER TOLD AMBASSADOR SHEN  
THAT AMBIGUOUS "PRINCIPLE OF ONE CHINA" WORDAGE ADDED BY  
CHOU IN LAST MINUTE NEGOTIATIONS. CHOW REASSURED READERS  
THAT U.S. WILL NOT CHANGE FUNDAMENTAL POLICY OR BREAK  
TREATY COMMITMENTS WITH ROC EVEN IF NEAR-FUTURE "BREAKTHROUGH"  
REACHED ON WASHINGTON-PEKING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. CHOW  
NOTED THAT KISSINGER'S LATEST PEKING TRIP DREW LITTLE  
ATTENTION OR COMMENT IN U.S. PRESS, INDICATING AMERICAN  
PEOPLE'S CHINA FEVER HAS SUBSIDED.  
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